



RCE  
JFW

PATENT

I hereby certify that on the date specified below, this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first-class mail in an envelope addressed to Mail Stop RCE, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

December 27, 2006

Date

Ayesha J. Shaikh

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Appl. No. : 09/994,516

Confirmation No. : 8536

Applicants : Trung T. Doan and Dean A. Klein

Filed : November 26, 2001

Attorney Docket No. : 500966.01

Art Unit : 2111

Customer No. : 27,076

Examiner : Thomas J. Cleary

Title : MACHINE STATE STORAGE APPARATUS AND METHOD

**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)**  
**UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

Mail Stop RCE  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicants request continued examination, under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, of the above-identified application.

**1. Submission Required Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

a. ☐ Submission previously submitted

i. ☐ Consider the amendment/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_.

ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_.

iii. ☐ Consider the Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_.

- b. ☒ Submission enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment/Response under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
  - ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
  - iii. ☒ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

**2. Suspension of Action** (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)

- ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_ months.

**3. Accompanying Papers**

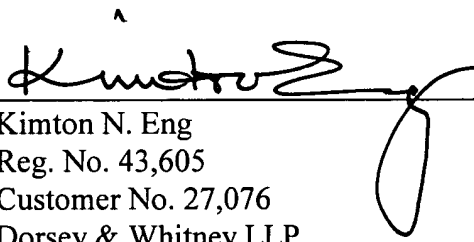
- ☒ Postcard  
☒ Check  
☒ Fee Transmittal Sheet  
☐ Petition

**4. Deposit Account**

- ☒ The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees required or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1266.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: December 27, 2006

By:   
Kimton N. Eng  
Reg. No. 43,605  
Customer No. 27,076  
Dorsey & Whitney LLP  
1420 Fifth Avenue, Suite 3400  
Seattle, WA 98101  
(206) 903-8718  
Attorney for Applicants

KNE:ajs

h:\ip\clients\micron technology\900\500966.01\500966.01 rce 2.doc